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Appl. No.: **10/775,544**

Confirmation No.: **6699**

Applicants: **Kireeti KOMPELLA, et al.**

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Title: **DETERMINING FORWARDING PLANE LIVENESS**

TC/A.U.: **2445**

Examiner: **Vivek V. Krishnan**

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on December 9, 2009 (Paper No. 20091202), which set a period for response to expire on March 9, 2010, that period being extended two (2) months to expire on May 9, 2010, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 22 of this paper.